

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 appearing at page 1, lines 2-7, with the following amended paragraph:

The present application is a divisional application of U.S. Application No. 09/530,943, filed November 23, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,440,057, which is a National Stage Application of PCT/AT98/00284, filed November 23, 1998, which was not published in English under PCT Article 21(2) (being published in German), the disclosures of which are expressly incorporated by reference herein in their ~~entireties~~ entireties. The present application claims priority to Austrian Application No. 1990/97, filed November 24, 1997 and Austrian Application No. 1807/98, filed October 30, 1998.